

December 2, 2018 First Sunday of Advent

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.
11:15 a.m.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday:
8:00 a.m. in the chapel

Holy Day of Obligation:
8:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.
in the church

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 3:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.
or by appointment

PASTOR

Rev. Edward A. Sousa, Jr.

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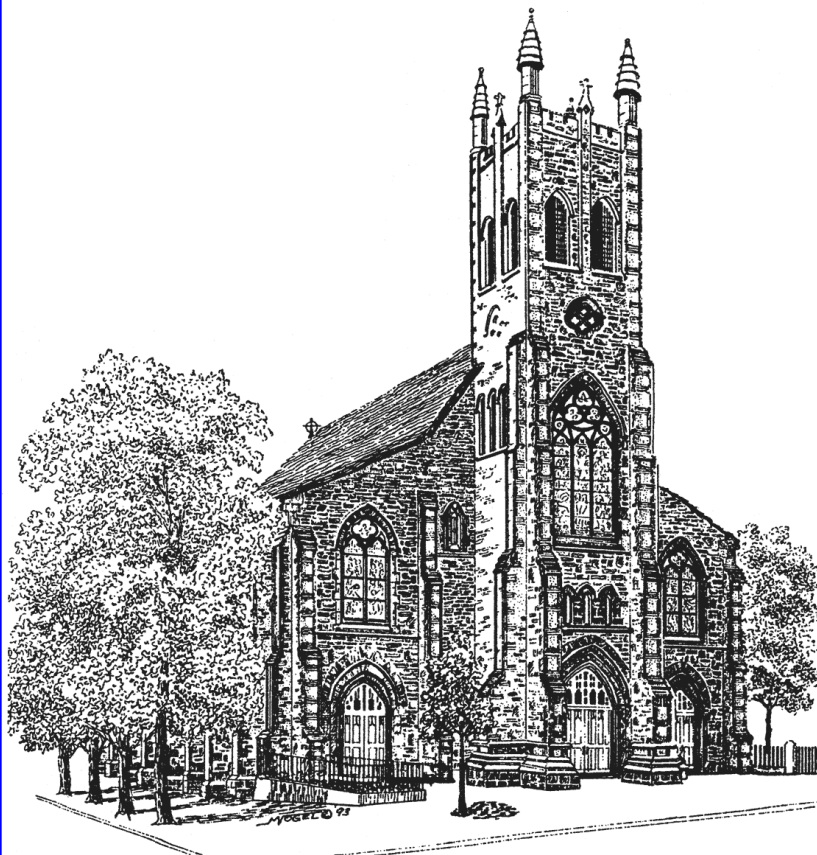
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Parish Office Hours: 9:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

Monday-Friday

(Closed on Civic Holidays)

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Registered parishioners should contact the parish office in advance of the birth of their child to prepare for baptism.

Marriage: Couples must meet Fr. Sousa 12 months in advance of their wedding date.

Sacrament of the Sick: If you or a loved one are in the hospital or homebound and wish Father Sousa to make a visit, please call the Rectory and inform the Parish Secretary to make the arrangements for Father to make a visit.

Holy Orders: If you would like to serve God by proclaiming the Word of God, celebrating the Sacraments and by serving those in need, you may have a vocation to the priesthood. Please speak to Fr. Sousa or contact the Office of Vocations at: **401-831-8011.**

Celebrating 167 years of living faith since the foundation of our parish in 1851.

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 1

4:00 p.m. Memorial, Jeanne Desjardins, requested, niece Lorraine

Sunday, December 2 *First Sunday of Advent*

9:00 a.m. Available

11:15 a.m. Memorial, Michael John Lancelotta, requested, Dr. Daniel Harrop III

Monday, December 3

8:00 a.m. Birthday Remembrance, Beverly Gracie, requested, Florence Gracie

Tuesday, December 4

Available

Thursday, December 6

8:00 a.m. Intentions for the Parishioners of St. Joseph Church

Friday, December 7

8:00 a.m. Available

Saturday, December 8 *(Immaculate Conception of Mary)

8:00 a.m. The Sousa Family

4:00 p.m. Available

Sunday, December 9 *Second Sunday of Advent*

9:00 Available

11:15 a.m. Memorial, Mary Ann Deary, requested, Dr. Daniel Harrop III

***MASS ON SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8TH WILL BE IN THE CHAPEL**

WEEKLY PARISH OFFERINGS

Weekend of November 24 & 25, 2018

Envelopes:	\$4,691.00
Loose:	\$3,685.00
Children	\$ 6.00
Parish Giving (EFT)	\$ 651.00
TOTAL	\$9,033.00

Weekly Budget Goal to Meet Our Expenses: \$5,412.00

- ◇ *Time and Talent — We wish to thank all those parishioners who are always so willing to pitch in and lend a helping hand. Their participation contributes to the vibrancy of our community.*
- ◇ *Treasure — Thank you for your financial support.*

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS!

Please notify the Parish Office of any changes in name, address, email, telephone and Parish Giving information, etc.

It is very important that we keep the parish registration data updated.

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday, December 8

4:00 p.m. Kirsten, Grace

Sunday, December 9

9:00 a.m. Jessica, Lily

11:15 a.m. Sam, Abby

LECTORS

Saturday, December 8

4:00 p.m. John Donnelly

Sunday, December 9

9:00 a.m. Helen Valcourt

11:15 a.m. Ed Bozzi

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, December 8

4:00 p.m. Pam DeLuca

Sunday, December 9

9:00 a.m. Jim Vandermillen

11:15 a.m. David Gillis

Electronic Giving!

Saint Joseph has enlisted Parish Giving to provide its members with the opportunity to use Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) as an alternative method for giving. Parish Giving is being offered to you free of charge. At the same time, **St. Joseph Parish** will benefit from a reliable, more efficient and more convenient means to process the contributions that make it possible to support its mission. On this giving site, you will be able to select from the various opportunities to contribute to our parish and other initiatives. Keep in mind that all contributions are processed once a month. Following is an overview of some of the features:

- Ability to make one-time contributions
- Ability to make recurring contributions
- Ability to select your billing date
- Ability to use Credit Card or Bank Transfer
- Ability to access end of year contribution reports

Create or login to your Parish Giving account: www.stjosephprovidence.org, follow the Parish Giving link. Or go to www.parishgiving.org, or call **866-307-7140** and speak to a Parish Giving Representative to walk you through the process.

THANK YOU!

On behalf of St. Joseph Parish, I wish to acknowledge and express a sincere thank you to **Mr. Thomas J. McAndrew, Esq. (Thomas J. McAndrew, Esq. & Associates)**, for the very generous donations that he made to our Church. **\$2,500.00** for support of our everyday operating expenses, which will also help with the \$22,000.00 cost for replacement of a major portion of our rectory roof, and **\$1,000.00** to assist the poor and less fortunate members of our parish community with food, clothing and heating assistance. We are very blessed to have Mr. McAndrew and his family as members of our Church. Again, We would like to extend our gratitude for his generosity.

Sincerely,

Fr. Edward A. Sousa, Jr.

GIVING TREE

GIFTS TO BENEFIT FOX POINT BOYS AND GIRLS' CLUB

GIFT CARDS CAN COME FROM: STOP & SHOP, SHAW'S, WALMART OR TARGET. THESE STORES ARE ACCESSIBLE TO THE PEOPLE RECEIVING THE CARDS AND WILL ALLOW THEM TO SHOP FOR THOSE ITEMS THAT THEY KNOW THEIR FAMILIES WOULD LIKE OR CAN TRULY USE!

Please put the amount of the Gift Card on the tag. IF PURCHASING A GIFT: "CLOTHES ONLY" PLEASE. REMEMBER: BUY A CARD OR GIFT, WRAP IT UP, AND USE THE ANGEL AS A TAG. PLEASE RETURN BY DECEMBER 9th.

VISITORS



Always so nice to see visitors from other parts of the United States (and the world) at St. Joseph's. Here I am with the extended Ramos family visiting from New York on Thanksgiving weekend. Danica Ramos (third from right) our former Senior Altar Server was home from college. It was so nice to see her.